



Tudor Grange Academy Redditch

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of another successful term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and partnership with the school. It has been a busy and rewarding period, and I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new Year 9 students and their families who have joined us through our recent transition programme.

This term has been filled with many memorable experiences, including the Year 11 Prom, transition events for our incoming Year 9 cohort, Year 10 work experience placements, and our Entitlement Week, which has provided students with a wide range of enriching activities, visits and opportunities beyond the classroom.

Please note that the term will end on **Friday 17 July at 12:00pm**. Lessons will continue as normal throughout the morning before students are dismissed at midday. We look forward to finishing the term positively and celebrating all that our students have achieved.

Below are some key dates and important information for the upcoming academic year:

Results Days

Students can collect their results on the following dates:

- **Thursday 13th August** – A-Level Results (8:30am–12:00pm)
- **Thursday 20th August** – GCSE Results (8:00am–12:00pm)

Students should report to **Reception** on arrival, where staff will direct them to the appropriate collection point. If your child is unable to attend in person, results can be emailed to their personal address. Please contact the Examinations Officer in advance at exams@redditch.tgacademy.org.uk.

If someone else is collecting results on behalf of your child, they must bring:

- A signed letter of authorisation from the student
- Photo identification



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Please note: results cannot be released over the phone or online and will only be given to someone other than the student with prior written consent.

Post-16 Enrolment

Students joining Tudor Grange Academy Redditch Post-16 must enrol with a member of the Post-16 team after collecting their results. Students who have not yet applied will have the opportunity to do so on the day.

Post-Results Support

The Examinations Office will be open until **2:00pm on Results Day** for any immediate queries. It will reopen at the start of the new term in September.

If a student's results are close to a grade boundary, we may discuss the possibility of a review of marking. Please note:

- A signed consent form is required
- Grades may go up, down, or remain the same following a re-mark

Return to School

- **Thursday 3rd September** - Return for **all year groups**

School opens at **8.20 am**. All students must arrive by **8:50 am**.

High Expectations for the Autumn Term

Uniform

Please follow the link on our website for more information about our uniform expectations:

<https://www.redditch.tgacademy.org.uk/parents/uniform-and-equipment/>

Our main uniform supplier is Orchard Clothing.

Key reminders:



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- Formal black shoes must be worn
- Hoodies are not permitted
- Only a watch is allowed as jewellery; all other items will be confiscated
- Knee-high socks, false eyelashes, and false nails are not permitted
- Skirts must be grey, pleated, and worn just above the knee
- Trousers must be grey
- Students must bring a pen, pencil, and ruler daily

PE Kit

PE is a compulsory part of our curriculum. Students must wear:

- TGAR branded PE top (black/bottle green with logo)
- Plain black joggers or shorts (logos must be plain black)
- Black sports leggings are permitted; hot pant-style shorts are not

Students not meeting uniform expectations may be asked to change into items from our uniform bank or be removed from lessons until they comply. If you need support with uniform, please contact **Student Services** or your child's **College Leader**. You may also find second-hand items via:

- *Redditch and Studley School Uniform Sale and Swap* (Facebook)
- *Redditch Uniform Exchange* (Facebook)

Mobile Phones

The Department for Education is clear that schools should, by default, be mobile phone free environments. This means that students should not have access to mobile phones at any point during the school day, including break and lunchtime. This approach is essential in maintaining high standards of behaviour and ensuring a calm, safe, and focused environment for all pupils and staff.

The use of mobile phones in school has increasingly led to a number of concerns, including:

- Incidents of bullying linked to misuse of mobile devices



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- The taking of photographs without consent, which is unlawful
- The sharing or uploading of images to social media without consent, which is unlawful
- Increased exposure to social media during the school day
- Reduced focus on learning
- Fewer opportunities for students to socialise, develop communication skills, and engage in healthy play without technology

To ensure a truly phone-free environment during the school day, and to prioritise student safety and wellbeing, we will introduce the following procedures from September 2026:

- **Upon arrival at school, students will hand their mobile phones to staff at Student Services**
- **Phones will be stored securely in personalised wallets within trays, with one tray allocated per form group**
- **Phones will be returned to students at the end of the day during form time**

This system ensures that students can still have access to their phones for their journey home, particularly where needed for safety or transport purposes. However, we strongly encourage students not to bring mobile phones to school at all. As banned items, the school cannot accept responsibility for any loss or damage where such items are brought onto site.

In line with Department for Education guidance, the school reserves the right to search for and confiscate mobile phones and other smart devices where necessary.

If a student is found to have a mobile phone, headphones, or a smart device and has not handed it in, or if a member of staff reasonably believes they are in possession of one, the school will search for and confiscate the item. The following sanctions will apply:

- If a student hands over a banned device when asked, they will be placed in Internal Exclusion for the remainder of the day. This will result in a deduction of 5 behaviour points.
- If a student refuses to hand over a banned device or refuses to comply with a search, they may be suspended from school. This will result in a deduction of 10 behaviour points, and a reintegration meeting with parents/carers will be required before the student returns to lessons.



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These changes will be fully reflected in our school policies and published on our website from September 2026.

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance

Here at Tudor Grange Academy Redditch, we are committed to ensuring every student has the best possible chance to succeed and that starts with excellent attendance. Our approach is simple: **good attendance means "no days off."** We track attendance using a **days-based system**, and parents will be contacted regularly to keep them informed about how many days their child has missed. This helps us work together to prevent any student from becoming **Persistently Absent (PA)**—defined as missing 10% or more of school days. Persistent absence can significantly impact a child's academic progress, confidence, and future opportunities. We are particularly focused on the **first two weeks of term**, as research shows that students who are absent during this critical period are far more likely to become persistently absent later in the year. By prioritising attendance from day one, we set the tone for a successful and fulfilling school year.

Punctuality

Students must arrive by **8:50am** to receive a present mark.

- Arrivals between 8:50am and 9:20am will be marked late ('L' code)
- Arrivals after 9:20am will be recorded as **unauthorised absence** for the morning session

MCAS



If you have not already done so, please download the MCAS app, as this is our primary method of communication with parents and carers. Through the app, you can easily add dinner money, provide consent and make payments for school trips, report student absences, view reasons for praise and reasons for sanctions, and book after-school clubs. We encourage all families to use the app regularly to stay informed and up to date with school information and your child's progress.



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We know that students thrive when school and families work together. Thank you for your continued partnership. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable summer break.

We look forward to welcoming students back in September.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Marie McNamara
Principal



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